

STATE OF IOWA
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
UTILITIES BOARD

IN RE: IES UTILITIES INC., INTERSTATE POWER COMPANY, and MIDAMERICAN ENERGY COMPANY	DOCKET NO. INU-00-5
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ORDER REQUIRING PLAN UPDATES

(Issued April 26, 2001)

On September 8, 2000, the Utilities Board (Board) expanded its investigation on transmission and distribution reliability, identified as Docket No. INU-00-5, to include generation resource planning for Iowa's three investor-owned utilities, IES Utilities Inc. (IES), Interstate Power Company (Interstate), and MidAmerican Energy Company (MidAmerican). The order required IES, Interstate, and MidAmerican to file generation resource plans that included, among other things, resource plans for the years 2001 through 2010, projected load and capability data, and available capacity reserves. The three investor-owned utilities filed the generation resource plans required by the order on March 1, 2001.

The Board has reviewed the filed information and believes it is critical to continue to monitor resource planning because electric capacity may remain tight in the Midwest region. Therefore, the Board will require MidAmerican to file an updated resource plan on or before March 1, 2002. The updated plan is to address all the issues and topics contained in the original plan. The Board will consider at that time how often resource plan filings will be required.

IES and Interstate, however, will be required to file an updated plan on or before November 1, 2001. IES' and Interstate's initial filing omitted long-term planning over the next ten years. The filed plan focuses on the next two to three years with no information on how the utilities plan to meet their capacity obligations over the next ten years. The updated plan is to include long-term planning information as well as an update on all other information filed in the March 1, 2001, plan.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. IES Utilities Inc. and Interstate Power Company shall file an updated resource plan on or before November 1, 2001, that includes all the information contained in the current plan and the long-term planning information identified in this order.
2. MidAmerican Energy Company shall file an updated resource plan on or before March 1, 2002.

UTILITIES BOARD

/s/ Allan T. Thoms

/s/ Susan J. Frye

ATTEST:

/s/ Judi K. Cooper
Acting Executive Secretary

/s/ Diane Munns

Dated at Des Moines, Iowa, this 26th day of April, 2001.